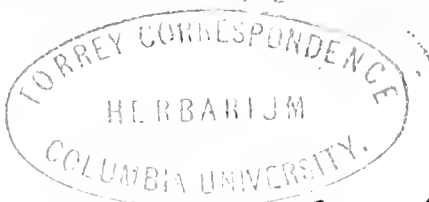


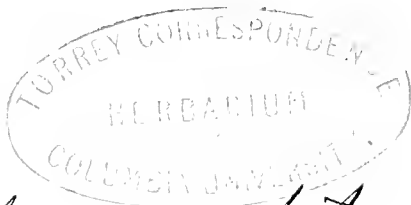
Cincinnati Aug. 18. 1854

Dear Doctor



I was exceedingly obliged to you for your kind letter in 1848 on the subject of some plants which from Lake Superior which I sent to you. I intended it for my report to government. But as Dr Jackson was unconsciously superseded under Secretary Ewing I was never called for. Some time last fall I communicated your letter to Lillman's Journal and received a note from Prof. Dana saying it should be published in the Jan'y No. The Jan'y No. came but without the Article. I wrote to call Mr Dana's attention to the fact when I was informed by him that he had sent my paper to Dr. Prof. Gray who had withheld it and that I should find Prof G's reasons for so doing in a letter from Prof Gray forwarded to me at New York N. Y. I have now received that letter. The following is a copy:

Cambridge Dec. 3. 1853



My Dear Dana,

Just receiving your favour of the 1st inst. I have immediately examined the *Colanagrostis* are nazica as I took it to be from Lake Superior and Michigan (which I have for some years possessed) and I see enough to show that Dr Torrey will probably have to revise his opinion given in 1848 that it is a new species. I expect him to be with me at Christmas and I will therefore take the responsibility (I bear the principal part of Dr Boeck's communication is made up of Dr Torrey's letter of retaining this till then and of consulting him about it. When while science will not suffer; inasmuch as two detailed lists of Lake Superior plants (comprising all these) have since been published, viz: that of Agassiz Lake Superior book and that of Whitney Geological Report on exploration of same region. In explanation

you may if you please forward this note to Dr
Loche with the compliments of yours.
very faithfully
(signed) Isaac Gray

Perhaps I ought to have submitted the matter to you before
I made the communication, but I had ever considered it as
intended for publication and had regretted that it had not
been issued before. My small collection of plants and your
letter are a part of the history of our labours and whether we
had been anticipated before or since (an incision anticipated since)
might be made another question. I have simply requested
Prof Gray to return me my communication. You will
see for yourself how this matter presents itself to me

Torrey, I should be extremely happy to have a
letter from you. I will not say that it would renew
my most cordial attachment to a most excellent
and amiable friend, for that attachment has nev-
er been interrupted now for the no short period of 36
years. You have seen that I have had my troubles
for ~~which~~ ^{one} may not dare to do a good thing without
being assailed. It is discouraging and Science is
the loser.

Most cordially yours

John Loche

P.S. When and by whom was the name ar-
narice applied to this *Calamagrostis*?



